

RUNNYMEADE
Kennedyville, Maryland
(19th century)

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An even more unusual building on the property is the large pyramidal dairy just a few feet of the house. Its wooden shingle roof nearly reaches grade and it is topped by a metal ventilator. Entry is through a six panel door set into a gable-roofed entry. The eaves of this little entry are edged with wooden scallops.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

RUNNYMEADE

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

North side Route 292, 1/2 mile west of Junction with
Route 213

1st

CITY, TOWN

Kennedyville

XX VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Kent

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

___STRUCTURE

___SITE

___OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

___BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___IN PROCESS

___BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

___UNOCCUPIED

___WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

___YES: RESTRICTED

___YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO

PRESENT USE

___AGRICULTURE

___COMMERCIAL

___EDUCATIONAL

___ENTERTAINMENT

___GOVERNMENT

___INDUSTRIAL

___MILITARY

___MUSEUM

___PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

___RELIGIOUS

___SCIENTIFIC

___TRANSPORTATION

___OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTYNAME Broderick Incorporated N.V.
c/o Robert T. Price, Jr.

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STREET & NUMBER

103 Lawyers Row

CITY, TOWN

Centreville

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

21617

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Kent County Court House

Liber #: EHP 106

Folio #: 142

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown, Maryland

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Maryland Historical Trust, Survey of Kent County

DATE

1968

___FEDERAL ☒ STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR

SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust, The Shaw House, 21 State Circle

CITY, TOWN

Annapolis, Maryland

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Runnymede is located on the north side of Route 292 about ½ mile west of the junction with Route 213. The house is on a working farm and includes barns, a tenant house, and outbuildings dating from the 19th and 20th centuries.

The house is composed of two parts, a four bay, true 1½ story frame section, and a four bay, 2 story brick section. Although the evidence is inconclusive, the frame section appears to predate the brick section. Legend holds that the frame wing was constructed in 1692, and there may have been a house on the property then but there is absolutely no visible, physical conformation of that early date.

The frame section has its 6 over 6 sash window arranged in pairs on the south facade. The frames are simple and narrow. There are two rooms on the first floor and the entrance is in the north wall. The building has two Victorian gable dormers in the roof slopes and a roof which overhangs at the gable as well as on the long sides of the building. There is a brick chimney stack partially enclosed in the west gable.

The building has recently been covered with wood-grain vinyl siding and it has a black asphalt shingle roof.

The brick portion of the house is the same depth, 18'4", as the frame section. The brick section has its facade laid in Flemish bond although is used elsewhere. Both sections of the house are white with white trim.

The brick building has tall brick chimneys with corbelled caps partially enclosed in the gable walls. Its steeply pitched gable roof is finished with verge boards and a three step corbelled cornice.

The entry door is in the second bay from the west. It has a reproduction wooden architrave and six panel door. Windows have 6 over 6 sash set in plain wood frames with a Grecian ogee and bevel backband and plain wooden sills. Above each window is a

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Runnymede is an interesting early farmhouse with two interesting 19th century outbuildings. The house has a 1½ story frame section with one wall of paneling which may date the 18th century and a two story brick section with corbelled cornice which was probably constructed in the early 19th century. The most interesting outbuilding is a rare pyramidal dairy, now converted into a garage.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Marsha L. Fritz, Survey Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Kent County Planning Commission

DATE

778-4600, ext.67

STREET & NUMBER

Court House

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Chestertown, Maryland

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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flat arch. On the second floor the windows have louvered shutters, but on the first floor the shutters have two panels with Greek ogee and bevel panel moldings.

On the upper floor of the wing and on the first floor room (now a kitchen) the interior has been completely modernized. A wall of paneling remains in the middle room of the first floor. It has raised and beveled panels and a mantle with crude gouge work carving that resembles dentils. There is also a simple corner cupboard with butterfly shelves.

The stair to the second floor of both sections is in the southeast corner of the wing, with a few more steps up to the parlour chamber. On both floors of the brick section contain one room each, although there appears to have been wooden partitions in each one. Little early interior trim remains in the brick section but there are paneled doors with four and six recessed or raised panels. On the second floor is some reeded, 19th century window trim.

An even more unusual building on the property is the large pyramidal dairy just a few feet of the house. Its wooden shingle roof nearly reaches grade and it is topped by a metal ventilator. Entry is through a six panel door set into a gable-roofed entry. The eaves of this little entry are edged with wooden scallops.

Standing beside the dairy is a smaller pyramidal-roofed building, probably used for storage. A frame structure, it is covered with German shiplap siding and has an asphalt shingle roof.

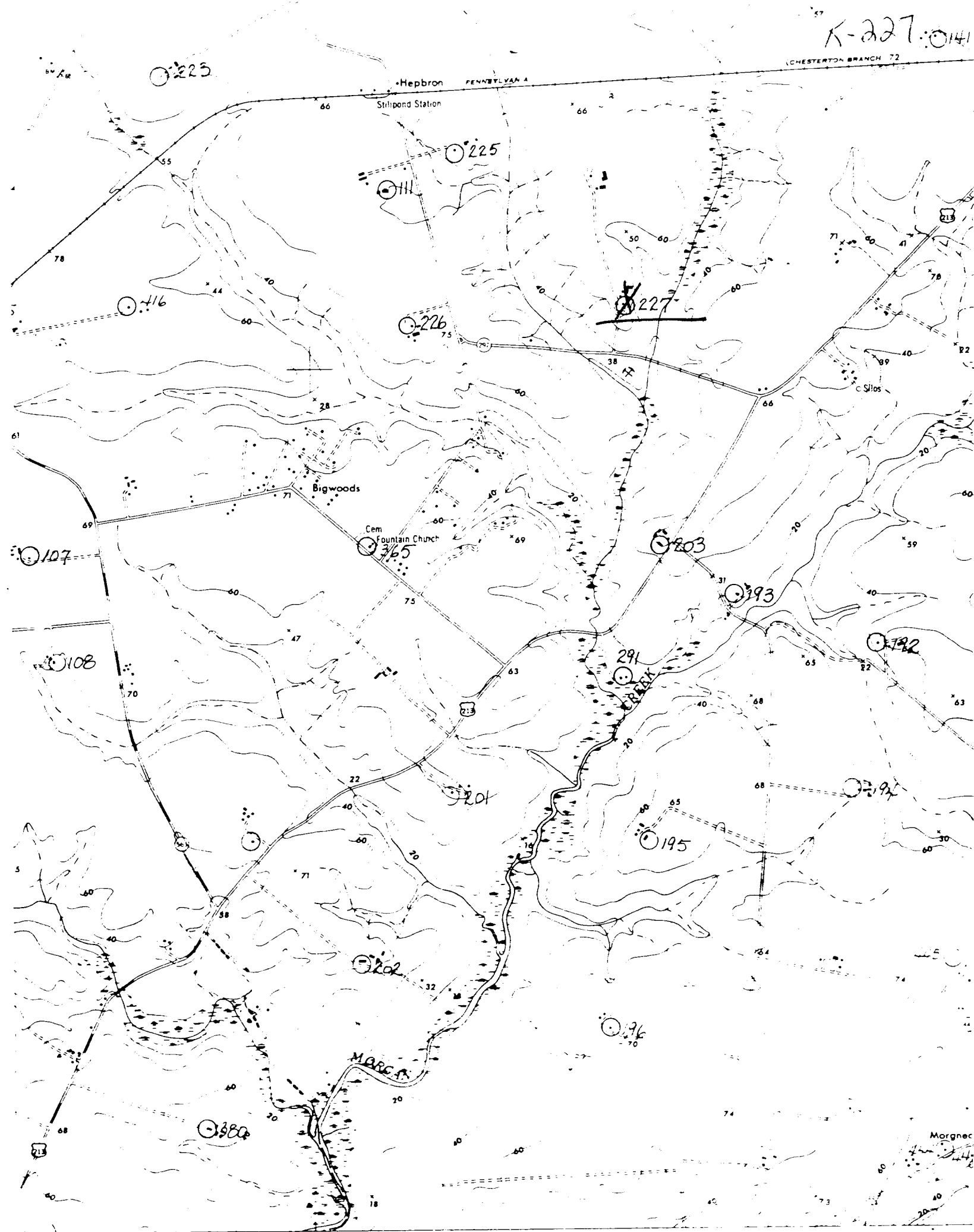
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

<p>1. NAME <i>Longland Kent</i></p> <p>301 <i>Kennedysville</i> VICINITY <i>Univerville</i></p> <p>STREET NO. <i>Rt 292 - 1/2 mile West, Rt 213 west side</i></p> <p>ORIGINAL OWNER</p> <p>ORIGINAL USE <i>dwelling</i></p> <p>PRESENT OWNER <i>Walter W. Holt</i></p> <p>PRESENT USE <i>dwelling</i></p> <p>WALL CONSTRUCTION <i>brick + frame</i></p> <p>NO. OF STORIES <i>2 + 1/2</i></p>		<p>HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <i>K-227</i></p>	
		<p>2. NAME <i>Rummymeade</i></p> <p>DATE OR PERIOD <i>c. 1692 + later</i></p> <p>STYLE <i>Colonial</i></p> <p>ARCHITECT</p> <p>BUILDER</p>	
		<p>3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE</p>	
<p>4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC <i>NO</i></p> <p><i>Rummymeade is supposed to have been built in 1692 and possibly the 1 1/2 story frame portion was built later. To the east of the 1 1/2 story structure is a 2 story, 4 bay long brick structure, laid. Flank band on the south facade. The door is located on the 2nd bay from the west. There are flat brick arches above the windows of vertical headers, 6 each, painted shutters. And the door is a good copy of a flat classic door trim. There are brick chimneys on each side ^{gable} of the brick structure and on the outside of the west ^{gable} of the 1 1/2 story wing.</i></p> <p><i>There is a pyramidal shaped ice house on a square wooden base west of the main building.</i></p>			
<p>5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered <i>NO</i> Interior Exterior <i>good</i></p>			
<p>6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)</p>		<p>7. PHOTOGRAPH</p>	
<p>8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.</p>		<p>9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER <i>Michael Bourne</i></p> <p>DATE OF RECORD <i>Sept 23, 1968</i></p>	

Runnymede is supposed to have been built in 1692 and possibly the one-and-one-half story frame portion was that building. To the east of the one-and-one-half story structure is a two story, four bay long brick structure, laid in Flenish bond on the south facade. The door is located on the second bay from the west. There are flat brick arches above the windows of vertical headers, 6/6 sashes, panelled shutters. And the door trim is a good copy of a classic door trim. There are brick chimneys on each gable of the brick structure and on the outside of the gable west of the one-and-one-half story wing.

There is a pyramidal shaped ice house and a square smoke house west of the main building.

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View to North

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Dairy, view to Northwest

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